

Arkansas Crop Report



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The following are the survey results from the 2005 November Agricultural Yield Survey. A sample of the farmers in Arkansas provided the data for this survey. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaire or interview for the survey. The data are also posted on our home page at the Internet address above, and more detailed U.S. statistics at <http://www.usda.gov/nass/>.

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Rice: Based on conditions as of November 1, the Arkansas all rice yield for 2005 is forecast at 6,610 pounds per acre, down 90 pounds per acre from last month's forecast and down 300 pounds per acre from last year's yield. All rice harvested acres are estimated at 1.6 million, up 5 percent from 2004. The 2005 total rice production for the state is forecast at 108.1 million hundredweight (cwt), up from last year's production of 107.4 million cwt.

Soybeans: Arkansas soybean yield is forecast at 34 bushels per acre, the same as the October 1 forecast, but down 5 bushels per acre from last year, based on conditions as of November 1. Harvested acres of soybeans are estimated at 3.0 million acres, down 150,000 acres from 2004. Soybean production for Arkansas in 2005 is forecast at 102.0 million bushels, down 17 percent from a year ago.

Cotton: Based on conditions as of November 1, Arkansas cotton production is forecast at 2.2 million bales (480 pounds per bale), up 100,000 bales from last month's forecast, and up 111,000 bales from a year ago. The derived yield of 1,015 pounds per acre is down 99 pounds per acre from last year's cotton yield. Harvested acres are estimated at 1,040,000 acres, up from last year's 900,000 acres.

Sorghum: Grain sorghum production for the state is forecast at 5.1 million bushels, compared to 4.7 million a year ago, based on conditions as of November 1. The state average grain sorghum yield is forecast at 83 bushels per acre, equal to last month's forecast but down 1 bushel per acre from last year's average yield. Acres harvested for grain sorghum are estimated at 62,000, compared to 56,000 acres in 2004.

Corn: Based on conditions as of November 1, the 2005 Arkansas corn for grain yield is forecast at 128 bushels per acre, the same as the October 1 forecast, but down 12 bushels per acre from last year's yield. Acres of corn harvested for grain are estimated at 230,000, compared to 305,000 acres harvested in 2004. Total corn for grain production in the state is forecast at 29.4 million bushels.

Arkansas Area Harvested, Yield, and Production—November

Crop	Area Harvested		Yield Final 2004	Yield Forecast		Production	
	Final 2004	Forecast 2005		Oct. 1 2005	Nov. 1 2005	Final 2004	Forecast 2005
	<i>Thousand Acres</i>			<i>Yield per acre</i>		<i>Thousands</i>	
Rice, All, 1/	1,555	1,635	6,910.0	6,700.0	6,610.0	107,440	108,074
Soybeans, bushels	3,150	3,000	39.0	34.0	34.0	122,850	102,000
Cotton, Upland 2/	900	1,040	1,114.0	969.0	1,015.0	2,089	2,200
Sorghum, bushels	56	62	84.0	83.0	83.0	4,704	5,146
Corn, bushels	305	230	140.0	128.0	128.0	42,700	29,440

^{1/} Rice yield in pounds. Rice Production in hundredweight (cwt)

^{2/} Cotton yield in pounds per acre. Cotton Production in 480 pound bales.

United States

Rice: U.S. production is forecast at 220.7 million cwt, down 1 percent from the October forecast and down 4 percent from last year. Area expected for harvested, at 3.3 million acres, is unchanged from October, but up fractionally from 2004. As of November 1, the U.S. all rice yield is forecast at 6,603 pounds per acre, down 75 pounds from last month and down 339 pounds from last year's record high yield. However, a record high yield is forecast for Texas.

Soybeans: U.S. soybean production is forecast at 3.04 billion bushels, up 3 percent from October but 3 percent below 2004. If realized, this would be the second largest soybean crop on record, only behind last year's crop. Based on November 1 conditions, yields are expected to average a record high 42.7 bushels per acre, up 1.1 bushels from October and 0.5 bushel above last year. Area for harvest is forecast at 71.3 million acres, unchanged from last month, but down 4 percent from 2004.

Upland Cotton: U.S. upland cotton production is forecast at 22.5 million 480-pound bales, up fractionally from 2004. Cotton harvested area, at 13.4 million acres, is unchanged from the October estimate, but up 5 percent from a year ago.

Corn: U.S. corn production is forecast at 11.0 billion bushels, up 2 percent from last month, but 7 percent below 2004. Based on conditions as of November 1, yields are expected to average 148.4 bushels per acre, up 2.3 bushels from October, but up 12.0 bushels below last year. If realized, both production and yield would be the second largest on record, behind last year.

United States Area Harvested, Yield, and Production—November

Crop	Area Harvested		Yield	Yield Forecast		Production	
	Final	Forecast	Final	Oct. 1	Nov. 1	Final	Forecast
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2005	2004	2005
	<i>Thousand Acres</i>		<i>Yield per acre</i>			<i>Thousands</i>	
Rice, All, 1/	3,325	3,343	6,942.0	6,678.0	6,603.0	230,818.0	220,731.0
Soybeans, bushels	73,958	71,270	42.2	41.6	42.7	3,123,686.0	3,043,116.0
Cotton, Upland 2/	12,809	13,408	843.0	788.0	806.0	22,505.1	22,517.0
Sorghum, bushels	6,517	5,687	69.8	66.0	68.2	454,899.0	387,686.0
Corn, bushels	73,632	74,333	160.4	146.1	148.4	11,807,217.0	11,032,105.0

^{1/} Rice yield in pounds. Rice Production in hundredweight (cwt)

^{2/} Cotton yield in pounds per acre. Cotton Production in 480 pound bales.

